absence of conveniences of travel and its large population with a heavy crop of civil suits, the necessity for the establishment of a Munsiff's Court at Todupuzha had been repeatedly brought to the notice of Government but without avail. The establishment of the additional court at Muvattupuzha had served to relieve the heavy work of the local Munsiff, but had not in any way tended to relieve the trouble and inconvenience experienced by the inhabitants of Todupuzha taluk. The additional court at Muvattupuzha was now being held in the satrom buildings and its transfer to Todupuzha would not cost Government more, as there was already a Government building at the place built for the Tahsildar's quarters which could be made available for housing the Munsiff's Court. The Member therefore prayed that the Additional Munsiff's Court at Muvattupuzha might be transferred to Todupuzha with the re-opening of the civil courts after the ensuing midsummer recess.

Dewān's reply.—When the term of the Muvattupuzha Additional Munsiff's Court expires, the question of transferring it to Todupuzha will be considered in consultation with the High Court.

42. The establishment of a Munsiff's Court or the appointment of a Magistrate-Munsiff at Alwaye.

Sahib Bahadūr M. K. Kadar Pillai (Member, Nominated) urged the following points in support of his representation—

(1) the rising importance of Alwaye as a trading and commercial centre,

(2) the existence there of almost all the public offices such as the Taluk Cutcherry, the 2nd and 3rd Class Magistrates' Courts, the Sub-Registrar's office, and the Panchayat Court to which people had to come for the due discharge of their business,

(3) the inconveniences felt by the inhabitants of the surrounding pakuthies in having to go to Parur or Perumpavur for the conduct of their civil cases,

(4) the likelihood of having sufficient work for a court at Alwaye and the need which would otherwise arise for opening two additional Courts at Perumpavur and Parur,

(5) the difficulty which the litigant public who resorted to the Panchayat Court at Alwaye, now often experienced in the matter of serving processes and execution of their decrees, by having to proceed through two Munsiffs' Courts (Parur and Perumpavur) in one and the same case, and

(6) the flood in the river during the monsoon, and the difficulties experienced by many people who had to go to Perumpavur from Alwaye.

The Member suggested, in the alternative, the investing of one of the Second Class Magistrates at Alwaye with the powers of a Munsiff.

Dewan.—The High Court say that it is unnecessary to have a Munsiff's Court at Alwaye.

Member.—I am very sorry.

Dewan.—We are generally guided by the High Court's opinion.

Member.—If the Chief Justice had been here, I would have convinced him of the necessity for a Munsiff's Court at Alwaye.

Dewan.—I would suggest your memorialising the High Court.

Member.—Perhaps, if a recommendation is made from the Government, the High Court may agree.

Dewan.—Your representation will be referred to the High Court again.

43. Need for greater attention being paid to the administration of criminal justice in the Minachil taluk.

Mr. Ulahannan Ulahannan (Member, Minachil Taluk) said that he had urged at the session of the Assembly of 1091 the establishment of a First Class

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